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Preliminary to examination, kindly amend the above-identified
application as follows:

In the Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended). A network coupling device for
coupling a ~~data~~ home network to a local area network, the
network coupling device comprising:

functional components operating on a physical layer of an open
system interconnect (OSI) reference model, including: